

\$100,000 MAY BE GIVEN ARMORIES

Members of the senate ways and means committee suffered a partial change of heart on armory appropriations today when they voted to allow the expenditure of \$100,000 for such work, \$92,000 of which will have to be itemized as most needed by the national guard officials.

The only appropriations itemized by the committee were for an armory at Fort De Russy, cut from \$6000 asked to \$2000; and a storehouse for Honolulu, cut from \$25,000 asked to \$6000.

In a letter to the committee Brig. Gen. Samuel I. Johnson had urged the need of armories as storehouses of federal equipment as well as being of advantage to social centers in out-of-the-way districts. Evidently the letter was largely responsible for the decision to allow \$100,000 of the loan fund money as this is an increase of \$83,000 over the amount the committee decided upon earlier in the week.

Committee members expressed decided opposition to the erection of a storehouse back of the University Club, across the street from the main armory—a warehouse as one member put it.

During the discussion the feeling dropped out from most of the members that national guard work is now practically at its zenith, and that after a few years the feeling for guard work may be considerably less than it is now, thus leaving many of the proposed armories of little use.

The total of \$100,000 represents a big cut in the amount asked by the administration, the first request being \$234,000, later decreased under pressure of the committee to \$177,000.

BRITISH MAIL BOAT ARRIVED HERE FIRST 47 YEARS AGO TODAY

According to W. Jarrett, today is the 47th anniversary of the arrival at Honolulu of the steamer Wanga-Wanga, the first British iron mail steamer to plow the Pacific. She arrived here April 19, 1870, 28 days from Sydney, via Auckland. Following her came other British mail boats, including the City of Adelaide, City of Melbourne and Margaret.

The British mail boats transferred mail and passengers at this port to American mail steamers, side-wheel wooden vessels, the Nevada, Nebraska and Dakota, which plied between San Francisco and Honolulu. After a few trips the steamers of both countries ran clear through, without making this port a terminal.

Jarrett says that of the Honolulu merchants who witnessed the arrival of the Wanga-Wanga only four are living today, F. A. Schaefer, Robert Lewis, C. C. Jones and T. G. Tarum.

HOUSE NOTES

This is the 49th day of the session. House bill 445, raising the salary of the chairman of the Maui supervisors, passed second reading.

The bill providing a pension for Judge E. P. Akue of Koolau, Hawaii, passed third reading.

A bill fixing the minimum pay of police officers at \$50 a month passed third reading.

Representative Wilder's bill to provide for the registration of nurses passed third reading.

The bill providing for the registration of vessels operating in Hawaiian waters passed third reading.

The house this afternoon was to reconsider the vote to table the bill providing that the territory pay circuit judges \$1200 a year in addition to what they are now getting from the federal government.

Representative Kuwewehi introduced the lone bill of the morning session. It provides for the construction of a road through the mountains in North Kona, Hawaii.

BILL PROVIDES PATROL OF BEACH

House Measure Would Employ Life Savers at Waikiki to Be Named By Harbor Board

"Safety First" is the keynote of a bill that was to be introduced in the house of representatives this afternoon establishing a life-saving patrol for Waikiki beach.

This bill, which is understood, was to be handed to Representative Gerrit P. Wilder for introduction, provides that the patrol shall be under the control and supervision of the board of harbor commissioners.

It is further provided that the patrol consist of two members, each to be not less than 18 or more than 30 years old, and who shall be appointed by the harbor board. They shall be selected for their strength and ability as swimmers and boatmen, and shall be expert in the use and methods of resuscitating, both with and without apparatus, apparently drowned persons.

The measure continues as follows: "It shall be the duty of the members of the patrol to patrol the section of Waikiki beach lying between the seaside resort known as Heine's Tavern and the Halekulani hotel, and such other sections of Waikiki beach as may in the opinion of the Board of Harbor Commissioners require such patrol. They shall at all times keep a vigilant lookout for persons in danger of drowning, and all the assistance in their power to any such persons, and keep order in the section under their control, for which purpose they shall be vested with police powers."

The members of such patrol shall receive not less than \$500 per annum each, to be appropriated out of the general revenues of the territory not otherwise appropriated.

The Board of Harbor Commissioners shall have power to make such rules and regulations as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of this act, and shall furnish such boats and pulmotors, or other lifesaving apparatus as may be necessary.

HOUSES DIFFER ON WHO SHALL APPOINT THE MAGISTRATES

The house of representatives today declined to concur in the senate amendments to the house bill providing for the appointment of district magistrates. The house bill provided that they should be appointed by the chief justice, and the senate amended so that they would be appointed by the governor. Representatives Andrews, Miles and Tavares have been appointed members of the house conference committee.

UTILITIES TO MEET TOMORROW AFTERNOON

At 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon the public utilities commission will hold a regular weekly meeting, to clean up routine business which could not be transacted on the regular meeting date, Tuesday, owing to lack of a quorum.

The commission today postponed for the second time its inter-island investigation hearing. The hearing was set over to May 3, two weeks from today, at the request of the steamship company, because of the illness of Norman E. Gedde, whose testimony is particularly sought by the commission.

SENATE NOT TO BLAME AFTER ALL, HE ASSERTS

"I did not intend to make a statement carrying the inference that the senate was in any way to blame for the mixup as regards the city charter bill," said Representative Lorin Andrews, father of the original charter bill today.

Andrews goes on to say that, from the fact that the house kept the charter bill more than a month, he believes the senate did good work in finishing with it in the short time it had it, and at the same time making some valuable amendments.

FROM YESTERDAY'S LAST EDITION

ALLIES MAY SOON RECRUIT IN UNITED STATES
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 18.—The Webb bill, to permit the Allies to recruit soldiers and sailors in the United States, passed the house today.

NEW RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT STANDS BY ALLIES
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 18.—Assurances were received here today that the provisional government of Russia will not yield to overtures of German and Austrian socialists who have been moving for a separate peace.

ALIEN ENEMIES MUST LEAVE VICINITY OF FORTS
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 18.—Instructions were sent out today by Attorney General Gregory to United States marshals that alien enemies residing within half a mile of any fort, military camp, air station, etc., will be required to move prior to June 1, under penalty of arrest.

BRITISH PARLIAMENT CHEERS UNITED STATES ALLIES
LONDON, Eng., April 18.—With cheers and handclapping the house of commons today gave unanimous approval to a resolution by Chancellor of the Exchequer Bonar Law, seconded by ex-Premier Asquith, expressing appreciation of the action of the United States in entering the war. A similar scene took place in the house of lords.

GOVERNMENT WITNESS UNDER SERIOUS CHARGE
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 18.—A warrant was today issued for the arrest of F. C. Oxman, the Oregon catfisherman who was a witness for the state in the trial that resulted in the conviction of Thomas Mooney on a murder charge in connection with the San Francisco dynamiting. Oxman is charged with subornation of perjury. Estelle Smith, a witness, has made affidavit that Oxman offered her money to swear to connect Weinberg, accused with Mooney, with the crime. Weinberg's trial is coming soon.

PROVIDES UNIFORM HOUR FOR CLOSING
Representative Robert Ahuna at the session of the house this afternoon introduced a concurrent resolution directing the board of liquor license commissioners to fix a uniform hour for the closing of all establishments where liquor is sold under its jurisdiction, applying it to wholesalers, retailers, saloons and hotels.

WIRELESS WITH BIG ISLAND WILL RESUME
Further resumption of wireless communication between the islands will occur tomorrow with the reopening of commercial service with the Big Island. At the office of the United States naval wireless this afternoon it was announced that commercial messages to the island of Hawaii will be accepted beginning Thursday. This is in accordance with expectations expressed earlier in the week but is the first definite announcement of the date.

SHINGLE INTRODUCES WAIKIKI RECLAMATION BILL
Senator R. W. Shingle of Oahu introduced late this afternoon in the legislature a bill embodying the governor's plan for the reclamation of Waikiki lowlands by the appointment of a commission to draw up plans and assume control of the work. This commission is to consist of the superintendent of public works, chairman; the city and county engineer, land commissioner and two others. Of the latter two one shall be a representative of beach land owners. The sum of \$20,000 is proposed as an appropriation for the commission's use.

GIRL TAKES POISON IN COURT
Juvenile court was much disturbed this afternoon when a 15-year-old girl tried to commit suicide following her commitment to the girls' industrial school, by drinking a bottle of iodine. The Portuguese mother, who was in court with her daughter, was nearly prostrated with grief. The girl was rushed to the emergency hospital, where first aid administered by the acting police surgeon brought relief. She is now at the Queen's hospital and it is reported she will recover. The girl had been arrested by Probation Officer Joseph Leal and charged with incorrigibility in connection with some affair with a soldier.

"BUDDHA OF THE HILLS" SUCCESSFULLY PRESENTED
The Buddha of the Hills, a Japanese play of unannounced authorship, was successfully presented in a private premiere last night at the residence of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Adams, Diamond Head road, and will be repeated tonight, the proceeds to go to the Wounded French Artists' Fund. The production is by The Footlights, which thus adds to its list of successful performances. Natural scenery and pretty lighting effects made the result extremely attractive.

SPEAKER HOLSTEIN HOST AT BANQUET
Speaker H. L. Holstein will be host this evening at a banquet to the members of the house of representatives. The banquet will be held in the Gold room, Alexander Young Hotel, and will begin at 7 o'clock. Among the invited guests are Gov. Pinkham, President Charles Chillingworth of the senate, Mayor John C. Lane and representatives of the press.

QUARANTINE FOR KAUAL ANTHRAX

That the outbreak of disease among cattle on Kauai is anthrax was learned today when Dr. Victor A. Norgaard, territorial veterinarian, returned on the inter-island steamer Mauna Loa from the Garden Island. Although he could not be located by the Star-Bulletin down to 1:30 this afternoon, Dr. Norgaard was said to have told various territorial officials with whom he conferred this morning that the disease is anthrax and not hemorrhagic septicemia, which he at first had believed it to be.

CHAMBER DELAYS ACTION ON PAY FOR GUARDSMEN

Compensation for employees who are called to the colors was thoroughly discussed by the members of the chamber of commerce this afternoon and it was the general opinion that no action should be taken by the chamber at this time. J. D. Dougherty pointed out that there had been no enlistments to speak of in the National Guard since the call of the governor, and if the chamber should go on record with some definite decision it would probably help matters.

S. M. Lowrey said that the people as a whole should bear the burden of compensation and not the individual firms. G. K. Larrison said he doubted if the burden would be as heavy as expected since in all probability married men would be exempt. E. F. Bishop and A. Lewis, Jr., while admitting that the remarks of Dougherty put the question in a new light, said the chamber should not decide at this time.

BIG WAR EXPENSES ON SWITZERLAND'S SHOULDER

(By Associated Press)
BERNE, Switzerland.—Switzerland's extraordinary expenses that have grown out of the war will amount, by the end of this year, to about 700,000,000 francs, it is estimated. That figure, however, covers only the cost of maintaining Swiss neutrality—guarding the boundaries, etc. There must be raised in addition from 20,000,000 to 30,000,000 francs annually to pay the interest on other debts. In all it is reckoned that for interest charge and sinking funds the state is going to have to produce an even 100,000,000 francs income above what it ordinarily raises.

Thus far only about one-third of this sum has been assured. The tobacco monopoly proposed by the Bundesrat is but one of a number of measures that will be necessary in the immediate future. And the monopoly proposition is already meeting with strong opposition.

More than 700 persons were forced to the streets, scantily clad, by a fire which destroyed the Hotel Rosslyn, at Los Angeles, Cal.

BUSINESS OF ATLANTIC COAST LONG PREPARED FOR EVENT OF WAR

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the bank credit already existent was set out at length in this publication last month, in connection with British government borrowings. If the banks create new credit, the effect will be to inflate the situation and increase the reserve requirements. Moreover, the bank situation should be kept free and strong to deal with the business situation. The late British loan was floated without bank subscriptions and bank subscriptions to the late \$150,000,000 Canadian loan were all declined when it was found that the loan could be fitted without them.

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"The banks should subscribe as the board suggests, but chiefly with a view to distribution, and the American public should be prepared to take the bonds as a patriotic service. Saving for the loans should be in order here as it has been abroad. There are protests against economy on the ground that it may disarrange business and perhaps occasion losses and unemployment in some quarters. There is but slight danger of unemployment while the war lasts, and it will only be possible to supply labor where it is most needed by releasing it elsewhere. Business is inevitably disturbed by war, and everybody must adjust his affairs to the needs of the hour. When the labor supply is utterly inadequate is no time to make unnecessary work on the plea of keeping somebody busy."

She—There's a yellow hair on your coat and my hair is black?
Hubby—This is an old coat. That hair came from your head last winter!
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